# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PLANNING
# LOK SABHA

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Development of Agricultural Sector
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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether for the development of agricultural sector, provision for the expenditure of total amount of Rs. 2.5 lakh crore has been made in 11th and 12th Five Year Plans, if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether a rebate of more than Rs. 42 lakh crore have been given to the industries during the said period, if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the development of agricultural sector has been hampered due to the discrimination in the allotment of amount to agriculture and industry sectors; and
(d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINISTRY OF PLANNING
AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE
RAO INDERJIT SINGH

(a) The indicative Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) to the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare during 12th Plan is Rs.1,74,478 crore. This consists of Rs.71,500 crore to Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfares; Rs.25,553 crore to Department of Agricultural Research and Education; and Rs.14,179 crore to Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries and Rs.63,246 crore for Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY). The 11th Plan actual expenditure of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare including RKVY was Rs.75,597 crore.

(b) For Industry and Minerals sector, the indicative Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) of Rs.2,92,090 crore has been allocated for 12th Plan against 11th Plan allocation of Rs.1,47,510 crore.

(c) The target of 4 per cent growth in GDP of agriculture and allied sector had been retained in 12th Plan, as in the 11th Plan. This target was surpassed during the 11th Plan with average annual growth rate of 4.1 per cent for the Plan period, which was also the highest ever achieved in any Plan period. In 2012-13, the GDP growth in agriculture & allied sector stood at 1.2 per cent on account of severe drought but improved significantly to 3.7 per cent during 2013-14 due to favourable monsoon leading to upbeat performance in foodgrains, oilseeds, fruits and vegetables, livestock and fisheries. However, during 2014-15, due to drought in some part of the county, and freak weather during the rabi season, the crop output declined sharply, thereby causing agricultural growth rate to decline to 0.2 percent.

(d) The Government has taken several initiatives to re-invigorate growth in Agriculture and Allied Sector. The Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) has been launched to provide minimum assured irrigation to every field (HAR KHET KO PANI) and increase productivity per unit of water (PER DROP MORE CROP). The Central Sector Scheme on promotion of National Agricultural Market through Agri-Tech Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) has been launched for transparent sale transactions and price discovery in regulated markets and Kisan mandis, etc. Besides, the soil health card scheme is also implemented to maintain soil fertility and health for higher productivity.